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### (U) CALIFORNIA

### (U) Oakland - Man Pleads Guilty to Terrorism Charges

(U) A California man pled guilty yesterday to opening social media accounts to provide support to ISIS, according to court documents. Amer Sinan Alhaggagi, 23, said he opened Twitter and Facebook accounts for two people he believed to be ISIS supporters. Some of the Twitter accounts were subsequently used by ISIS to distribute news, according to a copy of his plea statement. Alhaggagi plead guilty to a charge of attempting to provide material support to a foreign terrorist group and three unrelated charges connected with use of a stolen credit card to buy clothing.

SOURCE: 18 July 2018, Reuters

### (U) Sacramento – California Spending Millions to Secure Elections

(U) California is spending millions of dollars to improve security surrounding the election system and voter databases while increasing voter access. The state is receiving \$34.5 million from the federal government. The total allocation includes \$11 million for various security programs and \$20 million for vote center implementation, which are regional voting centers open to allow voters to cast ballots several days prior to an election.

SOURCE: 18 July 2018, KCRA 3

#### (U) NATIONAL

### (U) Minnesota – Correctional Officer Killed by Inmate

(U) Stillwater – Minnesota's prison system is on lockdown after an inmate fatally assaulted a corrections officer at the Stillwater state prison. State Corrections Commissioner Tom Roy told reporters yesterday that Minnesota's flagship prison, and others in the system, are on lockdown in "an abundance of caution." Roy says Officer Joseph Gomm was attacked by an offender in an industry building, which houses a welding shop and carpentry programs. Gomm was pronounced dead at a hospital. SOURCE: 18 July 2018, <u>Associated Press</u>

# (U) Texas – Man Convicted of Hate Crime in 2017 Mosque Burning

(U) Victoria – A Texas man was found guilty this week of a hate crime in the burning of a local mosque in January 2017, an attack that a rights group yesterday connected to an increase in anti-Muslim incidents in the United States. Marq Vincent Perez, 26, was also found guilty on Monday by the jury in Victoria, Texas, of using a fire to commit a felony and possessing an unregistered destructive device for a separate incident, the US Justice Department said in a statement on the case. SOURCE: 18 July 2018, Reuters

### (U) INTERNATIONAL

### (U) United Kingdom - Man Convicted of Planning Attack on Prime Minister

(U) London – A British man was found guilty yesterday of a plot to kill Prime Minister Theresa May by first detonating an explosive device to get into her Downing Street office and then using a knife or a gun

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to attack her. Naa'imur Rahman, 20, of north London, was convicted at the Old Bailey court of preparing to commit acts of terrorism. Rahman planned to detonate an improvised explosive device at the gates of Downing Street and gain access to May's office in the ensuing chaos and kill her, according to police. SOURCE: 18 July 2018, Reuters

### (U) Malaysia - Seven Arrested over Suspected Militant Links

(U) Kuala Lumpur – Malaysia has detained seven people for suspected militant-linked activities, including a man who allegedly made death threats against the country's king and prime minister, police said today. The Muslim-majority country has been on high alert since gunmen allied with ISIS carried out a series of attacks in Jakarta, the capital of neighboring Indonesia in January 2016. Four Malaysians and three Indonesian men were arrested in four states between July 12 and 17, Inspector-General of Police Mohamad Fuzi Harun said in a statement.

SOURCE: 19 July 2018, Reuters

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